

Police Department to offer 'Gun Safety in the Home' program

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The Dayton Police Department will offer residents two opportunities to attend a 'Gun Safety in the Home' program this summer. The classes will be held at the Dayton Police Academy and taught by academy staff.

The program will cover responsibilities of gun ownership, gun safety, and proper storage of weapons in the home and in vehicles. The class is geared to the entire family.

The first session will be held Monday, June 24, from 5 to 7 p.m.; the second session is scheduled for Monday, July 29, from 5 to 7 p.m.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 486 people were killed in unintentional shootings in the United States in 2017.

"We want to assist our residents in making informed decisions on how they handle and store firearms, along with how to talk to their children about gun safety," said Sgt. Steve Bernstein, instructor at the Dayton Police Academy. "We look forward to launching this pilot program as part of our public safety mission."

Each class session is limited to 25 participants. <u>Registration is available online here</u>.

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